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Van Hollen  
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## NAYS—44

Barrasso  
Blackburn  
Blunt  
Boozman  
Braun  
Burr  
Capito  
Cassidy  
Cornyn  
Cotton  
Crapo  
Cruz  
Daines  
Ernst  
Fischer

Graham  
Grassley  
Hawley  
Hoeven  
Inhofe  
Johnson  
Kennedy  
Lankford  
Lee  
Lummis  
Marshall  
McConnell  
Moran  
Murkowski  
Paul

Portman  
Risch  
Romney  
Rubio  
Sasse  
Scott (FL)  
Scott (SC)  
Shelby  
Sullivan  
Thune  
Tillis  
Toomey  
Tuberville  
Young

## NOT VOTING—2

Rounds Warnock

The nomination was confirmed.  
(Mr. BOOKER assumed the chair.)

## EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. OSSOFF). Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of the Nayak nomination, which the clerk will report.

The senior assistant bill clerk read the nomination of Rajesh D. Nayak, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

## VOTE ON NAYAK NOMINATION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Nayak nomination?

Mrs. MURRAY. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) is necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) would have voted "nay."

The result was announced—yeas 52, nays 45, as follows:

## [Rollcall Vote No. 461 Ex.]

## YEAS—52

Baldwin  
Bennet  
Blumenthal  
Booker  
Brown  
Cantwell  
Cardin  
Carper  
Casey  
Coons  
Cortez Masto  
Duckworth  
Durbin  
Feinstein

Gillibrand  
Hassan  
Heinrich  
Hickenlooper  
Hirono  
Kaine  
Kelly  
King  
Klobuchar  
Leahy  
Lujan  
Manchin  
Markey  
Menendez  
Merkley

Murkowski  
Murphy  
Murray  
Ossoff  
Padilla  
Peters  
Reed  
Romney  
Rosen  
Sanders  
Schatz  
Schumer  
Shaheen  
Sinema  
Smith

Stabenow  
Tester  
Van Hollen

Warner  
Warren  
Whitehouse

Wyden

## NAYS—45

Barrasso  
Blackburn  
Blunt  
Boozman  
Braun  
Burr  
Capito  
Cornyn  
Cotton  
Cramer  
Crapo  
Cruz  
Daines  
Ernst  
Fischer

Graham  
Grassley  
Hagerty  
Hawley  
Hoeven  
Hyde-Smith  
Inhofe  
Johnson  
Kennedy  
Lankford  
Lee  
Lummis  
Marshall  
McConnell  
Moran

Paul  
Portman  
Risch  
Rubio  
Sasse  
Scott (FL)  
Scott (SC)  
Shelby  
Sullivan  
Thune  
Tillis  
Toomey  
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## NOT VOTING—3

Cassidy Rounds Warnock

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the motions to reconsider are considered made and laid upon the table, and the President will be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

## MOTION TO DISCHARGE—Continued

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Washington.

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that all remaining time on the motion to discharge be yielded back.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## VOTE ON MOTION TO DISCHARGE

The question is on agreeing to the motion to discharge.

The yeas and nays have been previously ordered.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) is necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS).

The result was announced—yeas 49, nays 49, as follows:

## [Rollcall Vote No. 462 Ex.]

## YEAS—49

Baldwin  
Bennet  
Blumenthal  
Booker  
Brown  
Cantwell  
Cardin  
Carper  
Casey  
Coons  
Cortez Masto  
Duckworth  
Durbin  
Feinstein  
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Schumer  
Shaheen  
Sinema  
Smith  
Stabenow  
Tester  
Van Hollen  
Warner  
Warren  
Whitehouse  
Wyden

## NAYS—49

Barrasso  
Blackburn  
Blunt  
Boozman  
Braun  
Cramer  
Crapo  
Cruz  
Daines  
Ernst  
Fischer  
Graham  
Grassley  
Hagerty

Cotton  
Hawley  
Hoeven  
Hyde-Smith  
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Johnson  
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## NOT VOTING—2

Rounds Warnock

The VICE PRESIDENT. On this vote the yeas are 49, the nays are 49.

The Senate being equally divided, the Vice President votes in the affirmative, and the motion is agreed to.

The nomination is discharged and will be placed on the calendar.

Mr. KELLY. Madam President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KELLY). Without objection, it is so ordered.

## EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, before we adjourn this evening, in a few moments, I will move to confirm Mr. Tom Nides as the next Ambassador to Israel.

I am glad the Republican hold on Mr. Nides has been lifted, and we will have an Ambassador in Israel to help maintain and strengthen the U.S.-Israel relationship.

Mr. Nides, as I have known him for many years, is just the right fit. He is a hard-working man. He is a bright man. He has tremendous experience, and he cares very much about strengthening the U.S.-Israel relationship. So this will be a good day for that relationship because we are going to confirm him very, very shortly.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the following nomination: Calendar No. 452, Thomas R. Nides, of Minnesota, to be the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the State of Israel, and that the Senate vote on the nomination without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Thomas R. Nides, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the State of Israel.

Thereupon, the Senate proceeded to consider the nomination.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Nides nomination?

The nomination was confirmed.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the

table, all without intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nomination; that any statements related to the nomination be printed in the RECORD; and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate consider the following nominations en bloc: Calendar Nos. 428 and 443; that the Senate vote on the nominations en bloc without intervening action or debate; that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate; that any statements related to the nominations be printed in the Record; and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of Adrienne Wojciechowski, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; and Michael Carpenter, of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. Representative to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, with the rank of Ambassador, en bloc?

The nominations were confirmed en bloc.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

##### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### REMEMBERING CAROLYN POLLAN

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Carolyn Pollan, who passed away at the age of 84 on Saturday, October 23, 2021.

Carolyn Pollan was a native of Fort Smith, AR, who dedicated her life to serving the Natural State. She was elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives in 1975 and was one of only three women serving in the State legislature at the time. She served until 1999, becoming the longest serving woman and Republican in Arkansas House history.

Throughout her career, Carolyn was a champion of Arkansas' families and children. Her leadership in developing policies to help kids and families land-

ed her in more positions to create positive change for future generations.

She created and chaired the children and youth committee—a new committee specifically designed to address problems affecting children—and served on the education committee and legislative council, as well as the joint budget committee. In addition, she formed the first domestic abuse hotline and established the Arkansas Commission on Child Abuse, Rape, and Domestic Abuse. She also crafted legislation that brought about major, positive changes to teaching at-risk youth. Over 250 pieces of legislation she sponsored were passed, many of them positively impacting Arkansas's families and children. Family, friends, and colleagues say no one came close to matching her passion on these issues. Additionally, Carolyn was the first woman appointed as associate speaker pro tempore of the State House.

Carolyn also cared deeply about education. For 25 years, she served on the John Brown University Board of Trustees—the first woman to do so—and became a Trustee Emeritus. She also created the Pygmalion Commission in 1993, which continues to improve educational outcomes for at-risk students in Arkansas. Additionally, she served on numerous educational boards and committees. Carolyn chaired the Southern Regional Legislative Council Education Committee and Southern Legislative Council Education Committee, served in the Office of Technology Assessment of the Congress Advisory Board for the National Study of Computers in Education, and on several educational boards within the U.S. Department of Education and U.S. Department of Labor.

Carolyn also worked for Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee for 3 years, where she helped enact welfare and workplace reforms and managed the State's multimillion-dollar tobacco settlement. She served on the development committee of the Clinton School of Public Service and was a founder and board president of the Arkansas Center for Health Improvement within the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, which has significantly improved the health of Arkansans since its founding.

She has been honored by numerous organizations in recognition of her accomplishments. Carolyn was included in the Top 100 Women in Arkansas by Arkansas Business Magazine and was honored as one of 10 outstanding legislators in the U.S. by the National Assembly of Government. She was also named among the top 100 most influential people in Arkansas according to a statewide poll conducted by the Associated Press. In 2020, she was inducted into the Arkansas Women's Hall of Fame.

With such an impressive background and career, Carolyn remained humble and never lost sight of the reason she served: to protect Arkansas's vulnerable families and children and create

greater future opportunities that would not only benefit them tremendously but also benefit the state. She was well-respected by colleagues across the aisle who attested to her willingness to work together if it meant improving the lives of Arkansans.

Carolyn Pollan's relentless advocacy and passion created a far better, safer, and healthier Arkansas for families and children that boasts more access to important educational opportunities. I am honored to recognize her incredible life and join with her loved ones, former colleagues, and community in celebrating Carolyn's legacy.●

#### TRIBUTE TO MARK JOHNSON

• Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I congratulate KTVB News anchor and journalist, Mark Johnson, on his remarkable career, as he retires after 40 years in the television news business.

Mark's dedicated career started in television sports in Missouri in 1981, brought him to Idaho, then took him to Wisconsin and Pennsylvania before, thankfully, bringing him back home to Idaho and KTVB in 1996. He served as KTVB's sports director before his 2003 promotion to serve as the station's main anchor. He is well-described by the station as, "A constant in the lives of generations of Idaho families, Mark Johnson has watched 30 years of Idaho history unfold from his spot in the KTVB studio."

He has understandably earned significant recognitions for his work. This includes KTVB earning regional Emmy awards for the News at 10 while Mark was a pivotal part of the team as lead anchor and his winning of a national Edward R. Murrow award for his work involving the 2002 Salt Lake Olympics. In addition to the time and talent he has committed to reporting, he has also supported many community efforts.

His heartfelt appreciation for and deep interest in the people of Idaho and its valued spaces are reflected in his thoughtful journalism. Those who have had the opportunity to work with Mark and know him consider themselves lucky. His calm demeanor during challenges and his sense of humor have shaped the way many have faced the events that are part of daily life, and it is clear he will be greatly missed in the anchor chair.

Mark, as you start your next chapter, I wish you more, well-earned time with your many friends and loved ones, including your wife Chris; daughters Hannah, Lindsey, Alexa, and Grace; and grandson. I congratulate you on an amazing career and thank you for bringing Idahoans the news for all these years.●

#### TRIBUTE TO JOHN WILLIAM STOKES

• Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I have come to the floor to recognize an Alaskan who I have come to know over